

A PLANT OF THE EDIBLE COLEUS, SHOWING THE POTATOLIKE TUBERS.

(Coleus rotundifolius (Poir.) Cheval. and Perr., S. P. I. No. 51768.)

This plant is cultivated in the Malay Peninsula, Ceylon, and in parts of Africa for its edible tubers. In Ceylon they are said to be regarded as superior in flavor to potatoes and fetch a higher price in the local markets. Chevalier notes three well-marked varieties under cultivation in Africa. (Photographed by J. F. Rock, Singapore, Straits Settlements, September, 1920; P22622FS.)